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Mr. Dean Fowler  
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RE: Monthly Progress Reports to the Colbert Citizens Committee

Dear Dean:

I would like to present a proposal to you on providing more detailed information to the Colbert Citizens Committee on the progress of the Colbert Landfill cleanup. Here is the basic situation. We (Spokane County, EPA, and Ecology) provide information on the Colbert cleanup to the public through the routine newsletters and fact sheets. As you know, those newsletters generally only provide very basic information. The Colbert Citizens Committee, which is chaired by (b) (6), has the desire and need for more detailed information on the cleanup progress. To help satisfy their wishes, I would like to send them the monthly progress reports prepared by Landau Associates. I would send the progress reports after they have been reviewed and "accepted" by EPA and Ecology. I feel the progress reports contain much of the information that the citizens committee is interested in, such as: drilling locations, well depths, where water was found, construction progress of the pilot wells and pilot treatment systems, etc. The progress reports would be an easy way to keep them better informed. In the long run, I feel this will make all our work in the community easier. I feel that our relations in the community are pretty good and I would like to maintain that position.

I have spoken with Neil Thompson, Grechen Schmidt, Larry Beard, and Brian Butler about this idea. They all feel that it is a good idea. It will be very easy to send the reviewed and "accepted" regular monthly progress reports to the Colbert Citizens Committee (specifically to (b) (6)). I will take the responsibility of sending the reports to (b) (6).

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I would like to get your feedback on this idea. What do you think?  
Please let me know by January 5, 1990. I will be out of the office  
from December 14th through the 22nd. My phone number is (206)438-3043  
or SCAN 8-585-3043. Hope you have a pleasant holiday.

Sincerely,

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